Washington, DC — Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore.) will speak to the Third Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference at the Portland Hilton on Friday, January 23 at 8:30 AM. The conference is sponsored by the Local Government Commission and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Blumenauer will join Mayor Vera Katz in welcoming participants to Portland and speak about legislation pending in Congress to fund transportation projects. The multi-billion dollar bill must be approved by Congress this year. As a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Blumenauer will have a major role in drafting the legislation.

In his speech on Friday, Blumenauer will highlight the impact of federal transportation spending in creating livable communities and stimulating the economy. He will also urge advocates from metropolitan regions to work to ensure they receive a fair share of transportation dollars. Blumenauer is founder and co-chair of the Congressional Livable Communities Task Force.

WHAT: New Partners for Smart Growth Conference Speech

WHEN: 8:30 AM

Friday, January 23

WHERE: Grand Ballroom

Portland Hilton 921 SW 6th Avenue